

## FOES OF EDWARDS BEATEN IN FIGHT

Confirmation of General Is  
Urged in Senate Commit-  
tee 12 to 3.

### PERSHING HOLDS ALOOF

Will Not Hinder Promotion  
of Officer He Relieved on  
Eve of Battle.

### HARBORD AS STAFF CHIEF

Likely to Be Chosen to Take  
Place Now Held by Gen.  
Peyton C. March.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Despite some Democratic objection to Brig.-Gen. Clarence R. Edwards, the Senate Military Committee voted to-day to recommend confirmation of the twelve Major and fourteen Brigadier Generals nominated for promotion recently by President Harding.

Gen. Edwards, who commanded the Twenty-sixth (New England) Division overseas until relieved by Gen. Pershing and returned home, was the only nominee on the list under fire. The committee vote on his name was reported as 12 to 3, with three Democrats opposing and three others voting for his confirmation.

Those said to have opposed Gen. Edwards included Senators Hitchcock (Neb.) and McKellar (Tenn.), while Senators Robinson (Ark.) and Myers (Mont.), Democrats, were reported to have joined the Republican committee members in supporting him. Senators Sheppard of Texas and Fletcher of

Florida, the other Democrats on the committee, declined to indicate their action.

Democratic opponents of Gen. Edwards, whose name headed the list of nominees for Major-General, intimated they would carry their fight to the Senate floor. No filibuster, it was said, would be waged, but a record vote at least it was declared, would be demanded. Republicans predicted that the entire list of general officers would be ratified promptly by the Senate, thereby paving the way for a dozen more promotions to the rank of Brigadier; many other promotions down through the whole service and for selection of a chief of staff.

#### Edwards Not to Be Chief.

Members of the Senate Committee expressed the belief that Gen. Edwards would not be chosen chief of staff after to-day's meeting, at which Secretary Weeks was called in again to-day for further discussion of Gen. Edwards's record. Major-Gen. Harbord, according to opinion of prominent Republican senators, will be selected chief of staff to succeed Major-Gen. Peyton C. March.

Information submitted by Secretary Weeks, it was said, disclosed existence of differences between Gen. Pershing and Gen. Edwards. Secretary Weeks, however, was reported to have declared emphatically that a search of the War Department files failed to show any record of such charges as Democratic Senators believe were on file.

Gen. Pershing, it was said, told Secretary Weeks that he had not recommended Gen. Edwards for promotion and if called on to do so again would not do so. Secretary Weeks was said to have stated also that Gen. Pershing did not now disapprove or oppose Gen. Edwards's confirmation, desiring to refrain from intervening in the matter.

Information given to the committee to-day by Secretary Weeks, according to committee members, was that events which led to the relief of Gen. Edwards from command of the Twenty-sixth Division on October 22, 1918, had their inception in the previous July. The order relieving Gen. Edwards from command came, it was said, on the day before his division went into action. The committee was told, it was said, that Gen. Edwards had criticized decisions regarding strategy emanating from General Headquarters. Another circumstance said to have been involved was that of harmonious cooperation by Gen. Edwards in executing plans of the campaign involving his division.

#### Ask Why Bundy Was Left Out.

Democratic Senators contended that the issue was whether the Senate should confirm for promotion an officer who

Gen. Pershing had relieved from command, virtually on the eve of battle; that the Administration was not justified in striking Brig.-Gen. Omar Bundy from the list of officers for promotion and substituting Gen. Edwards.

Secretary Weeks was said to have taken the position that the promotions were a matter purely of judgment. He was said to have asserted that considering all of the facts and circumstances his "honest judgment" had dictated the recommendations made in President Harding's list.

Asked as to failure to include Col. George V. H. Moseley and Hugh Drum in the list for promotion to the rank of brigadier, Secretary Weeks was said to have told the committee that their age was the entire compelling reason. Neither has had barely more than twenty-two years service, the minimum limit fixed in the recent army reorganization law for promotion to brigadier.

All the nominations of general officers, along with that of Charles G. Dawes of Chicago to be a brigadier-general on the reserve list, will be submitted to the Senate Monday. No opposition was expected to the Dawes nomination.

## PERSHING SUBMITS ORGANIZATION PLAN

Confers With Secretary Weeks  
on War Time Staff  
Proposals.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Organization of the new war staff of the army was discussed at a conference to-day between Secretary Weeks and Gen. Pershing, in an attempt to eliminate any possible conflict with provisions of law affecting the General Staff. The conference also took up problems relating to the future administration and training of the National Guard and organized reserves.

Gen. Pershing is known to favor a

standard of training for the reserve troops in harmony with the regular establishment, with the assignment of the most able officers of the army as instructors.

Gen. Pershing hopes to create a staff machine, complete in all details, which will concern itself only with fighting problems, leaving the large questions of peace time training, supply and administration to the present General Staff. It is understood that Gen. Pershing explained to Secretary Weeks in detail to-day the situation that obtained when the United States entered the world war when he was forced practically to disrupt the War Department General Staff to secure a working staff organization to take overseas.

#### FREIGHT RATE REDUCED.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—A reduction averaging 7 cents a hundred pounds on freight for freight of the higher classes from Eastern and central points to La Crosse, Wis., was ordered to-day by the Interstate Commerce Commission, effective August 1. Commodity rates are not affected.

## LARGE SHOE PLANT CUTS WAGES 20 P. C.

Endicott-Johnson Factories,  
Employing 13,000, Abandon  
War Time Pay Scale.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE NEW YORK HERALD. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., April 23.—The Endicott-Johnson Corporation, largest manufacturers of shoes in the world, to-day announced a 20 per cent. reduction in the wages of its 13,000 employees, to become effective May 1. The announcement was made in the form of a personal notice signed by George F. Johnson, president of the corporation and a philanthropist who has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in the interest of his employees.

In connection with the wage cut Mr.

Johnson pointed out that the present average wage in the great factories of Endicott & Johnson City, near Binghamton, is 14 per cent. higher than it was in 1914. For several months the employees have been working only part time, but it is expected that with the reduction the factories again will be operated full time.

"It is imperatively necessary that changes in wage schedules be made," Mr. Johnson said. "We have held up war wages as long as possible. Competition is keen and shoe prices are low. We must accept our responsibility and do everything we can to meet business conditions."

"Wages in our industry are higher by 25 to 40 per cent. than those being paid by large firms. We expect we shall be able at all times to pay more money than competing concerns, because we have advantages which we are committed to share with the workers. What we need now is more work. The only way to get it is to reduce costs, and in this issue must all turn to and help. We have tried every possible way to avoid wage reductions, but they must be made."

## FRAMEUP ALLEGED IN DIAMOND THEFT

Chicago Police Expect Solution  
of Big Robberies.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE NEW YORK HERALD. CHICAGO, April 23.—Revelations in the mysterious \$260,000 diamond robbery in the Keener Building to-day caused Chief of Detectives Hughes to announce the case may lead to a solution of other big gem thefts in Chicago. The official persisted in his declaration that the daring hold-up of yesterday was a "frame-up." He ordered that three men now in custody be held until the entire case is cleared up.

Those held are Julius J. Reingold, jeweler, Keener Building; his brother Leo and Morris Levine, a diamond merchant.

Leroy Present of Rochester, N. Y., diamond salesman, was robbed of more than \$200,000 in gems. Julius J. Reingold says he lost \$35,000 worth of diamonds. Present was released.

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